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MONTANA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 61st LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION

JOINT APPROPRIATIONS SUBCOMMITTEE ON NATURAL RESOURCES AND TRANSPORTATION

Call to Order:

CHAIRMAN GALEN HOLLENBAUGH, on January 9, 2009 at 8:30 A.M., in Room 317-C Capitol.

ROLL CALL

Members Present:

Rep. Galen Hollenbaugh, Chairman (D)

Sen. Rick Ripley, Vice Chairman (R)

Rep. Duane Ankney (R)

Sen. John Brenden (R)

Rep. Llew Jones (R)

Rep. Robert Mehlhoff (D)

Sen. Mitch Tropila (D)

Members Excused: None.

Members Absent: None.

Staff Present: James Chamberlain, Governor's Budget Office

Tyrrell Hibbard, Committee Secretary Barbara Smith, Legislative Branch

Audio Committees: These minutes are in outline form only. They provide a list of participants and a record of official action taken by the committee. The link to the audio recording of the meeting is available on the Legislative Branch website.

Committee Business Summary:

Hearing & Date Posted: Department of Natural Resources and

Conservation proposed appropriations, 1/6/2009

Executive Action: None.

Department of Natural Resources and Conservation

00:00:03 Ms. Smith, LFD 00:01:35 Sen. Brenden 00:02:09 Chairman Hollenbaugh 00:02:17 Mary Sexton, Director, Department of Natural Resources and Conservation. Powerpoint presentation: department overview. EXHIBIT (jnh05a01) EXHIBIT (jnh05a02) Fiscal Year 2008 Annual Report 00:31:54 Chairman Hollenbaugh 00:32:16 Rep. Mehlhoff 00:32:41 Ms. Sexton 00:32:59 Chairman Hollenbaugh 00:35:23 Tom Schultz, Division Administrator, State Trust Land Management Division -- State Trust Lands overview. EXHIBIT (jnh05a03) Oil and Gas Leases EXHIBIT (jnh05a04) MT State Trust Land Timber Harvest & Sold Volumes EXHIBIT (jnh05a05) Land Banking Report **EXHIBIT (jnh05a06)** 10-year Net Revenue Summary 00:55:39 Sen. Brenden 00:56:52 Mr. Schultz 00:57:08 Rep. Mehlhoff 00:57:33 Mr. Schultz 01:03:45 Chairman Hollenbaugh 01:04:04 Mr. Schultz 01:06:08 Chairman Hollenbaugh 01:06:16 Ms. Smith 01:06:42 Rep. Mehlhoff 01:07:20 Mr. Schultz 01:08:44 Rep. Mehlhoff 01:09:19 Mr. Schultz 01:11:15 Ms. Smith 01:11:23 Mr. Schultz 01:18:06 Chairman Hollenbaugh 01:18:27 Mr. Schultz 01:22:19 Sen. Rick Ripley 01:22:53 Mr. Schultz 01:23:31 Sen. Ripley 01:23:51 Mr. Schultz

DP 3521 Trust Land Management Operating Adjustment

01:24:48 Sen. Brenden 01:25:15 Mr. Schultz 01:25:43 Sen. Brenden 01:25:59 Mr. Shultz

DP 3523 Forest Improvement Projects and Monitoring

01:26:41 Mr. Schultz 01:27:27 Sen. Tropila 01:27:49 Mr. Schultz

DP 3552 Trust Land Mngmt Contract Harvesting Base

01:28:07 Mr. Schultz 01:30:00 Sen. Brenden 01:31:00 Mr. Schultz

DP 3553 Land Banking Base Restoration Private Funds

01:31:49 Mr. Schultz

DP 3554 Land Exchange Base Restoration Private Funds

01:34:42 Sen. Brenden
01:35:12 Mr. Schultz
01:35:37 Sen. Tropila
01:35:55 Mr. Schultz
01:36:43 Sen. Tropila
01:36:59 Ms. Smith
01:37:27 Sen. Tropila
01:37:37 Ms. Smith
01:38:01 Sen. Tropila
01:38:20 Mr. Schultz
01:40:46 Sen. Tropila
01:41:01 Mr. Schultz

New Proposals (C-290)

DP3522 Trust Land Mngmt Database Upgrade OTO

01:41:13 Mr. Schultz 01:43:00 Sen. Ripley 01:43:16 Chairman Hollenbaugh 01:43:59 Mr. Schultz 01:45:09 Chairman Hollenbaugh 01:45:43 Mr. Schultz

DP 3524 Forest Mngmt Software Integration OTO

01:47:31 Mr. Schultz 01:48:33 Sen. Brenden 01:50:36 Mr. Schultz 01:52:44 Sen. Brenden

- 01:52:51 Sen. Ripley
 01:53:54 Amy Sassano, Governor's Budget Office
 01:54:22 Mr. Schultz
 01:54:38 Chairman Hollenbaugh
 01:55:24 Rep. Mehlhoff

 01:55:42 Break
 02:07:28 Reconvene
- 02:07:50 Rep. Hollenbaugh

Public Comment:

02:08:29 Rep. Tony Belcourt HD 32 02:09:22 Annmarie Robinson, Coordinator, Rocky Boy North Central Regional Water System 02:11:06 Chairman Hollenbaugh 02:11:11 Mike Watson, Engineer, Ft. Peck, Dry Prairie 02:12:28 Chairman Hollenbaugh 02:12:33 Patrick Murtalh, Great West Engineering, representing Central Montana Rural Water System 02:13:09 Ray Beck, Administrator, Conservation and Resource Development Division, DNRC 02:13:45 Jeff Tiberi, Executive Director, Montana Association of Conservation Districts 02:14:31 Chairman Hollenbaugh 02:14:38 Rep. Jones 02:16:58 Mr. Schultz 02:17:00 Chairman Hollenbaugh left hearing. 02:18:19 Rep. Jones 02:18:34 Sen. Ripley 02:18:45 Ms. Smith 02:19:02 Ann Bauchman, Centralized Services Administrator, DNRC. Centralized Services overview. 02:37:10 Sen. Tropila 02:37:27 Ms. Bauchman 02:37:34 Joe Lamson, Deputy Director, DNRC 02:39:10 Sen. Tropila 02:39:19 Mr. Lamson 02:40:45 Sen. Tropila 02:41:18 Mr. Lamson 02:41:53 Sen. Ripley 02:42:10 Ms. Bauchman 02:46:29 Sen. Tropila 02:47:04 Ms. Smith

DP 2101 Centralized Services Operating Adjustment

02:47:47 Ms. Bauchman

DP 2102 Natural Resources Operation Acct Funding Switch

02:50:47 Ms. Bauchman 02:52:50 Sen. Tropila 02:53:09 Ms. Bauchman

DP 2151 Centralized Services Legal Imaging OTO

02:53:41 Ms. Bauchman
02:55:38 Sen. Ripley
02:55:49 Rep. Mehlhoff
02:56:33 Ms. Bauchman
02:57:21 Ms. Smith

02:58:08 Sen. Ripley

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ADJOURNMENT

02:58:23 Adjournment: 11:30 A.M.

REP. GALEN HOLLENBAUGH, Chairman

TYRRELL HIBBARD, Secretary

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Additional Documents:

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